

Is by ADVERTISING.
Light under a bushel gives
no light.

Of a Merchant who Does Not Get
any Business Because He Refuses
to Advertise. Very Foolish!
Well, Rather.

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NEW SCHOOL HOUSE.

Bids Come From all
Quarters.

PRICES WHICH SURPRISE THE DI-
RECTORS, AND THE PUBLIC.

No Further Trouble Anticipated in
Erecting the Best School House
in Berkeley.

The New School House.

Below will be found the various bids
for work on the new school house
building to be erected on Dwight way.
CARPENTER WORK.

Silas Carles	\$ 9,393 05
Fred T. Hansen	11,371 00
J. E. Squires	12,600 00
Campbell & Campbell	11,339 00
Bissell & Bro.	11,060 00
Leiter & Prugh	10,787 00
Knob & Cook	11,420 00
Burke & Lake	10,550 00
F. A. Keene & J. Sullivan	11,235 00
Robert Seedman	12,500 05
Sidney Walker	10,700 00
R. Weeks & Son	11,473 00
Rihley & Doss	15,111 00
Williams & Foster	12,485 00

HEATING AND VENTILATING.

W. W. Montague & Co.	\$1,297 00
Wm. Crapin	1,489 00
Peck, Williams & Co.	1,185 00
W. Morgan & Co.	1,584 00
J. G. Graius & Co.	1,495 00
Mangum & Otter	1,425 00
if Novelty furnace used	1,700 00
Holbrook, Merrill & Stetson	1,490 00
H. Williamson, heating and and ventilating	2,021 00
Hot water system	2,191 00
Heat in basement	2,351 00
Convertible system	2,400 00

C. F. Fisher

Hot water plant 1,220 00
Steam 1,310 00
Ed Hogan 1,890 00
Parke & Lacey 2,000 00
Geo. H. Tay 1,985 00

BLACKBOARDS.

C. W. Weber & Co.
Natural stone slate 667 20
Hylo Plate 322 20
Geo. Fuller, Gen. slate 524 00
Cal. School Supply Co., by E.
P. Bancroft

3 ply veneer talc 388 10
Combination talc 304 00

FOUNDATIONS.

J. A. Marshall,
Concrete foundation and
floor 1,095 00
Fred S. Hansen,
Concrete 1,399 00
Brick 1,539 00
Hillhouse & Rearden,
Concrete 1,363 00
John Leonard,
Concrete 1,480 00
Leiter & Prugh,
Brickwork 1,210 00
Knox & Cook,
Concrete 1,256 00
Brick 1,379 00
F. Keene & J. Sullivan,
Concrete 1,225 00
Brick 1,100 00
Williams & Foster,
Concrete 1,345 00
Brick 1,450 00

BLINDS.

E. B. Hindas & Co. 397 00
Peck, Williams & Co. 500 00
W. Morgan & Co. 620 00
Ed Hogan 650 00

VENTILATED WATER CLOSETS.

A School Party.

Miss Juliet H. Lombard, principal
of the Whittier school on Milvia street,
was given a party this afternoon at 4
o'clock by the pupils of the 8th grade.
Long tables were set and spread in the
basement which had been very hand-
somerly decorated by the scholars. It
was lighted with Japanese lanterns and
presented a fine appearance. It has
taken about a week's time for the
children to do the work and they are
entitled to much credit. Refreshments
consisting of ice cream, cakes and nuts
were served and heartily enjoyed.

The jury in the case of Mrs. Anna
McMillan charged with battery upon
Andrew H. Herman, came into Jus-
tice Lord's court last evening about half
past six o'clock with a verdict of not
guilty.

TAXES PAID.

The Southern Pacific Pays Its
Taxes.

Railroad Taxes Paid.

The Southern Pacific Company has
just paid into the State and various
county and city treasuries of California
sums aggregating nearly \$600,000.
These consist of the amounts due on
the first installment of realty taxes and
on the railroad proper and the full sum
due for personal taxes. The principal
payment was of \$275,560.60, to the
State treasury, being half of the amount
fixed by the State Board of Equaliza-
tion on roadbeds, franchises, etc.

Next in order come the taxes on real
and personal property paid to the vari-
ous counties, with those to the prin-
cipal cities, as follows: Contra Costa
\$3400, San Joaquin \$7000, Sacramento
\$8100, Placer \$2685, Nevada \$2514,
Sierra \$2294, Siskiyou (lands) \$20,215,
Trinity \$3379, Lassen \$45, Shasta
\$9986, Sutter \$466, Butte \$6756, Te-
hama \$10,620, Amador \$90, El Do-
rado \$1252, Mendocino \$53, Calave-
ras \$115, Colusa \$1175, Glenn \$1453,
Stanislaus \$2360, Merced \$4210,
Fresno \$15,020, Madera \$910, Tulare
\$7064, Kings \$3117, Kern \$13,200,
Los Angeles \$8280, Orange \$1002,
San Bernardino \$2550.

San Diego \$2286, Riverside \$2870,
San Mateo \$5880, Santa Clara \$6660,
San Benito \$412, Santa Cruz \$1200,
Monterey \$10,315, San Luis Obispo
\$3250, Santa Barbara \$4293, Ventura
\$2252, Solano \$2020, Napa \$679, So-
nomas \$1118, Yolo \$2497, Alameda
\$13,490, San Francisco \$43,795.
In addition, the following city taxes
have been paid after: Oakland \$13,
247, Alameda \$8364, Berkeley \$1017.
The total paid to counties and cities
was \$285,030, which, with the \$275-
360 paid to the State, makes a grand-
total of \$560,390, to which must be
paid to a number of lesser municipali-
ties but not reported.

Congress of Mothers.

New York, December 8.—Nine
women of renown came over from
Washington today to interest New York
women in the National Congress of
Mothers to be held in Washington in
February. The movement has for
sponsors the Mesdames Adlai Steven-
son, John G. Carlisle, Daniel Lamont,
Herbert, William L. Wilson wife of the
Postmaster-General, Judson Harmon,
Phoebe Hearst, H. W. Fuller, A. A.
Birney-Kincaid, Janet E. Richards T.
W. Birney and Miss Morton, sister of
Secretary Morton.

Mrs. T. W. Birney, who is the origi-
nator of the congress, and Mrs. Hearst
who accepted her idea and intends to
see that it is carried out, received this
evening an informal reception at the
Waldorf, assisted by the Mesdames A.
A. Birney, Stevenson, Wilson, Fuller,
and the Mesdames Morton and Richards.
A formal reception will be held to-
morrow evening, when New York's
representative women and men, too,
are expected to join in and give per-
sonal and social support to the project.
Mrs. T. W. Birney has been elected
president of the coming congress and
Mrs. Hearst is its first vice-president.

Very Sad.

The case of Mrs. Luella Partensky,
the young wife who was committed to
the insane asylum yesterday, is a par-
ticularly sad one. She was the wife of
Charles F. Partensky, a clerk in the
employ of E. S. Denison at the Oak-
land mole. The couple were married
at Chico, Thanksgiving night. The
maiden name of the woman was
Clarke and her parents were well
known residents of that place. She had
graduated from the Chico Normal and
taught a school several years. The couple
visited a sister of the bride in San
Francisco after the wedding and then
took a cottage at 1408 Sixteenth street
West Oakland. She had been in good
health and no cause is apparent for
her mental aberration which came on
last Sunday while she was attending
church.

Ladies: At the Royal W. Corset
Fitting Parlor, 453 Thirteenth street,
Oakland, corsets are fitted to the figure
free of charge and satisfaction is
guaranteed. A complete line of corsets
ranging in price from 25 cents to \$25
is always on hand. Special sale this
week.
C. M. Dickerson has been re-elected
business manager of the Occident for
the next term.

FROM AFRICA.

Charles Butters Will
Soon Arrive.

AND THEN WE WILL GET SOUTH
AFRICAN HISTORY FROM

One Who Has Been There From the
Beginning and Can Give
Valuable Information.

Charles Butters.

Charles Butters, formerly of Berke-
ley and whose relations still reside
here, arrived at New York recently
from Johannesburg, South Africa, on
his way to the Pacific Coast. He has
been in South Africa for the past six
years in charge of large mining inter-
ests. Mr. Butters is one of the seven
Americans who, with John Hays Ham-
mond, were arrested by the Boer
Government because of their affiliation
with the reform movement in the
Transvaal last year at the time of Dr.
Jamison's raid. Butters was released
May 20th, freed \$1000 and obliged
to give a bond not to interfere in the
political affairs of the Boer Govern-
ment for three years. He introduced
in that country for the Rand-Central
Ore Reduction Company, of which he
is the managing director, a new electri-
cal process for the treatment of refrac-
tory ores.

Mr. Butters states that if the Trans-
vaal gold mining had been better or-
ganized than in any place in the world.
The very best engineering ability
had been engaged and with the co-
operation of capital this resulted in the
application of the best organized efforts
for the production of gold.

One thing that prevents the enlist-
ment of foreign capital in the United
States gold mining is that there is no
international exchange for gold mining
here. He will leave New York to-
morrow and probably come direct to
Berkeley. His family is with him.

The Students Aid Society is trying
to find employment for the needy stu-
dents during the Christmas holidays.
An effort is being made to interest San
Francisco merchants in the matter.
Manager Bristol says he expects to find
work for all who have applied.

The Acme Club realized over \$500
from the entertainment given on Mon-
day evening last and the members feel
justified over it. This amount will be
placed to the credit of the furnishing
account of the new building.

The case of Funder, charged with
the violation of a town ordinance, has
been set for Friday in Justice Lord's
court. A jury will be summoned to
hear the evidence.

Varney Gaskill of Oakland, has been
elected president of the banking asso-
ciation recently organized in Jackson,
Amador county. He has a pretty good
knowledge of banking and will no
doubt fill the position with credit.

The Alliance Republican Club de-
cided, at a meeting held last evening,
not to go to Washington, for the pur-
pose of attending the inauguration of
President-elect McKinley.

Judge Ogden of Oakland, has de-
cided that oral evidence may be pro-
duced to contradict the consideration
named in a deed. A very important
decision.

The last issue of the Occident for
this term is now out. The Berkeleyan
has suspended publication for the rest
of the present term.

Mrs. H. A. Reed, of Milvia street,
who has been quite ill for sometime, is
on the road to recovery being much
improved in health.

John Francis Keenan, 39 years, of
San Francisco, and May Johnstone,
35 years of Berkeley, have secured a
license to wed.

A. L. Weil, present editor of the Oc-
cident has been re-elected to the same
position for the next term. He has
done well and fully deserves the honor.

STAYED OR STOLEN.—A mail
bag on Sunday afternoon, Novem-
ber 29th. Return to 3344 7th street.
Reward offered.

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MINERS MEET.

The Alameda County Association Met
Last Night.

Miners Meet Again.

The Alameda County Miners' Asso-
ciation met last evening at 418 Tenth
street and in accordance with previous-
ly announced plans completely reorgan-
ized the Association. The object of
the reorganization is to secure a more
intimate acquaintanceship and relation
between the mining men of the county.
Meetings are to be held each month
and addresses on subjects of interest to
mining men will be made. The first
of the series will be on the cyanide pro-
cess, which is working such a revolution
in the handling of low grade ores.

At the meeting last evening a new
constitution was adopted and the fol-
lowing officers elected: President, S.
B. Christy; vice-president, E. Chalpe-
let; secretary, J. W. Jeffries; executive
committee, E. H. Benjamin, J. S.
White, Charles G. Yale, W. R.
Thomas.

C. B. Rutherford, the retiring sec-
retary, declined re-election and was al-
so once voted an honorary member of the
Association.

The members of the Alameda county
delegation to the Legislature are to
commence a tour of the State buildings
on Thursday. They will first visit the
University, Home for the Adult Blind
and the Deaf and Dumb Asylum. They
will discuss needs and reforms with
the heads of the departments. The
work is preparatory to legislation as to
the institutions in question.

Alameda Parlor, No. 47, Native
Sons of the Golden West, has elected
the following officers: Past president,
C. M. Day; president, J. J. Hanson;
first vice-president, Max Glas; second
vice-president, C. F. Bolte; third vice-
president, William Britt; marshal, E.
Probst; trustee, Henry Brink; financial
secretary, Max Gunlach; recording
secretary, T. R. Hanson; treasurer, O.
A. Bremer; Sargeant, Dr. Pond.

Mr. J. Cornell McGuire, who was an
attache of the Daily Herald, when under
the administration of the late Col.
Cunningham, and recently of South
Africa and Cuba, is in town shaking
hands with his many old friends. He
is accompanied by Mr. Chas. W. Hol-
land, a one-time with General Antonio
Macco's command in Cuba.

The Young Ladies Missionary
Society, of the First Congregational
church, held a fair and sale of fancy
articles, last evening in the Sunday
school annex. A sale of articles for a
Christmas tree for the benefit of foreign
missions was also held. The returns
for the evening were very satisfactory.

The funeral of Miss Abbie Harde-
wick took place this afternoon from the
North Berkeley Congregational
Church. There were a very large
number of friends and the floral pieces
contributed, exceeded anything of the
kind in Berkeley ever before.

Senator Perkins intends to make a
vigorous effort to secure the establish-
ment of a life-saving station, at Point
Arenas at this session and will endeavor
to enlist the superintendent of the Life-
saving Service in this endeavor.

Mrs. Nellie Abbott, the popular
Center street stationer, returned to
Berkeley yesterday after spending three
weeks with relatives at Salinas, Mon-
terey and Santa Cruz. Mrs. Abbott
reports having a delightful vacation and
appears greatly improved in health.

The Congregational meeting of the
West Berkeley Presbyterian church will
be held this evening at the close of the
prayer meeting in the church. It is an
adjourned meeting.

Fires were put under the Cohansey
Glass Company's glass tanks yesterday,
and the blowers will begin work on the
20th inst. Four hundred men will be
in employment in the works.

Excursion trains will run to the
Southern part of the State on Thurs-
day, Friday and Saturday for the ben-
efit of students who desire to visit their
homes.

Town Engineer Huggins was at work
this morning surveying the lot for lines
on which to erect the new schoolhouse
on Dwight way.

Mrs. Gaskill of San Pablo creek
died this morning at the residence of
her brother-in-law on McGee avenue,
near Virginia street.

The county treasurer cashed 747
warrants on Saturday, including the
pay of most of the officers of the late
election.

CONGRESS.

Both Branches Were
Opened Yesterday.

A GOOD OPENING DAY FOR WORK
AND SOMETHING DONE.

Congressman Loud Presses the
Work of His Committee and
Makes a Success.

In Co. gress.

The Senate set at down to business
yesterday. When the letter from the
Secretary of the Treasury was read,
answering the Senate inquiry as to the
number of aliens in the Department of
the Treasury, Gallinger of New York
he was glad to observe that foreigners
whose service had been conspicuous
in the department had seen fit, as a re-
sult of inquiry, to take out naturaliza-
tion papers.

Many petitions were presented from
manufacturing bodies urging the pas-
sage of the Dingley Bill.

Cullom (R.) of Illinois, gave notice
that on Thursday next he would ad-
dress the Senate on the Cuban ques-
tion.

The House resolutions relative to
the death of ex-Speaker Crisp were
laid before the Senate, and as a mark
of respect the Senate at 12:25 o'clock
adjourned.

The House, on motion of Stone (R.)
of Pennsylvania, went into committee
of the whole and took up the considera-
tion of the pension appropriation bill.

Stone briefly explained that the bill
carried \$141,263,880, about \$75,000
less than the bill for the current year.
The committee, he said, did not feel
warranted in making a reduction in the
estimates for pensions, but did reduce
the amount for attending surgeons
\$50,000 and the amount for clerk hire
at the various agencies \$20,
000. The latter reduction was
made possible by the system of pay-
ment by check inaugurated this year.
There was, he said, no attempt at
legislation in the bill.

Grow (R.) of Pennsylvania, the ven-
erable ex-Speaker of the House, took
advantage of the latitude allowed in
debate on an appropriation bill to at-
tack that portion of Cleveland's mes-
sage relating to the effects from a reve-
nue standpoint of the enactment of the
present tariff law. The deficit for the
first year's life of the law, he said, was
\$25,000,000; for the second, \$45,000,
000, and for the first five months of
this year, \$40,976,453. Yet, he said,
the President had not seen fit with
these large deficits to recommend any
measure for the increase of revenue.

The necessity for revenue, he argued,
could not be denied in the face of the
figures submitted by the President him-
self. It was, he declared, purely a
business question. He showed that
importations were increasing and the
revenues decreasing. It indicated, he
said, a lack of business capacity in the
disposition of duties.

Grow received a round of applause
from the Republican side when he con-
cluded.

When the bill was taken up under
the five-minute rule, Connelly (R.) of
Illinois offered an amendment to the
provision requiring examining surgeons
to state specifically the rating the ap-
plicant for pension is entitled to in
their judgment, so as to make the rat-
ing fixed by the examining board bind-
ing in the Pension Office if any pension
should be allowed. The amendment
was ruled out on the point of order.
Without the amendment the bill was
passed.

The notice given by Thomas E. Wat-
son of contest against J. C. Black of
Georgia, who was elected at a special
election last spring, was read to the
House and referred to the Committee
on Elections, after which, at 4:20 p.m.
the House adjourned.

Representative Lorimer of Illinois,
introduced a bill to prevent conspira-
cies to black list.

For Sale.
Grocery business, horse, wagon, cart,
stock and trade a bargain for cash.
Good reason for selling. Apply to H.
H. Heywood, 5th and Delaware streets,
West Berkeley.

UNITARIAN FAIR.

Will Take Place Next Friday and
Saturday.

Unitarian Fair.

The sale of articles, both for use and
ornament under the auspices of the
ladies of the Unitarian Society will
take place on Friday and Saturday,
December 11th and 12th in Shattuck
block, two doors north of the Woman's
Exchange. The display of fine needle
work has never been equalled in Berke-
ley at any fair. There will be an
endless variety of bric-a-brac for sale.
Understand that everything is home-
made and consequently well done.

Fraternity Banquet.

Theta Zeta Chapter of the Delta
Kappa Epsilon fraternity, at Berkeley,
together with members of the Alumni
Association in this city of which, Thos.
Bishop is President, held a banquet at
Delmonico's last night. Horace Platt
acted as toastmaster. Toasts were de-
livered by G. Whipple, T. Bishop, W.
Thomas, Warren Gregory, Robert
Easton and A. Ashley. Thomas Rick-
ard sang. A quartette consisting of I.
Summers, H. Vedder, R. Russ and H.
Sims, rendered several selections.
Sixty gentlemen were present.

Carnot Medal.

The Carnot medal debate between
the University of California and Stan-
ford will be held on the second Friday
evening in February. Professor Gayley
has now commenced to narrow down a
list of aspirants for the blue and gold
team and will devote considerable time
between now and the contest to de-
veloping the candidates.

There will be three debaters from
Stanford and three from Berkeley and
as the award is to be made to the most
finished speaker, the debaters will con-
test as individuals. Last year Martin
C. Flaherty of California won the
medal. A preliminary debate will be
held in Stiles Hall this evening by
Gayley's orators on a question analog-
ous to the final one.

The case of B. F. Hudelson, charged
with libel by D. B. Woodworth, was
on for hearing before Police Judge Camp-
bell yesterday afternoon. For the
prosecution the Rev. Donald Ross
testified that that portion of the alleged
libelous article written by Hudelson, in
which Ross and Woodworth were
charged with having conspired to extort
money from John D. Spreckels, was
false. Woodworth also denied, under
oath, the truth of the allegation, and
upon cross-examination denied that he
had ever been expelled from the Cana-
dian Parliament for blackmail. With
Woodworth still on the stand the case
went over to this afternoon.

Henry Stull, the artist and famous
horse painter, whose skill with
pencil and brush in depicting equines
unexcelled, has been engaged for the
Examiner of San Francisco to sketch
the thoroughbreds that will be ex-
hibited at the coming horse show in that
city. He will also during the winter
racing season in California, devote his
time to sketching for the Examiner,
the racers of the Eastern and Western
stables now quartered at the two tracks,
and also the racing scenes.

It is reported that several new wit-
nesses have been discovered at San
Rafael who will appear in the interest
of the Fair heirs at the coming trial.
Witnesses for Mrs. Craven have also
been found; it is said, and some inter-
esting testimony will be offered. Detec-
tives from this city have been at work
for some time past inquiring into the
character of the witnesses who will offer
testimony.

One would be astonished to see the
crowd of people who are daily going
into Bonkowsky's jewelry store, on
Washington street, Oakland, to ex-
amine the stock of goods he has now
on sale. The goods are particularly
adapted to the holiday trade. It is a
good time to buy something of this
kind at a low rate for a Christmas pres-
ent.

Mrs. C. O. Hosford, the wife of a
well-known retired minister and a res-
ident of Mount Diablo, near Portland,
Oregon, for forty years, died last night.
She was sixty-five years old and was
considered to have the most valid
claim in being the first white child
born in San Francisco.

C. J. Bell has been tendered the
chairmanship of the Inaugural Com-
mittee by Mr. Haflna and accepted.

Schmitt & Zehner are the leading hardware
merchants in Berkeley, Shattuck block.

YOUNG CHEESMAN.

Relates Some of His
Experience.

ABOUT TRYING TO LIVE AND SUP-
PORT A SMALL FAMILY.

On \$7 a Week. It Was Not a Suc-
cess and He Thought Dying

Might be.

Frank H. Cheesman.

In the following signed statement he
relates a few of his experiences and
hints at some of his motives for so per-
sistently shuffling out his mortal coil:
I am anxious to die. I couldn't live
longer the way I have been living.
Recently I have been working for Al-
Wood the Oakland painter, receiving
\$7 a week for my labor. Mr. Wood
promised me a raise, but did not give it
to me, and this made me feel bad.
Last Saturday night Wood gave me
\$1.50, all that was owing me. I asked
him to let me have another \$1, but he
said that he did not have it. After re-
ceiving the money I paid some bills
that I owed and then went into a
saloon on Tenth street where I played
the nickel-in-the-slot machine. I saw
a man put a nickel in the machine and
get out 25 cents. Then I saw him put
in the 25 cents and get out \$5. What
little money I had left I put into the
machine and lost it all. I promised to
bring home some clams, and crab for
Sunday dinner, but I did not have the
money. I felt despondent. I thought
I would kill myself right away. Then
I thought how I could take my life.
I remembered that father had a
gold pistol at the house, so I decided to
go home and use it. I had planned
that if I didn't find the pistol I would
go to Wood's barn, where I slept, and
take a dose of rat poison that I knew
was there. But I would have a horri-
ble death to suffer if I had taken the
rat poison. Still, I am now suffering
a horrible death. My idea in select-
ing shooting as a means of suicide was
to get myself out of the way very
quickly, so that I would not be any ex-
pense to my family. I placed the pis-
tol directly over my heart and pulled
the trigger, but it only snapped.
I hurriedly pulled it again, but it did
not go off. Then I became nervous
and trembled so hard that when I
pulled the trigger for the third time the
weapon had slipped away from the hand
and I shot myself through the lung.
When I had the pistol in my hand I
thought that no one cared for me, and
everybody was down on me, and I
wanted to die quickly. How could I
live and ever be anybody on \$7 a
week? Now, if I was working today
and had a good job, I could just be as
happy as any boy in the State. I want
to deny that I ever used opium. It is
bad enough to say that I am a cig-
rette smoker, which is true.

FRANK H. CHEESMAN.

Regents Meeting.

At the meeting of the Regents of the
California University held yesterday
Judge Wallace introduced a set of res-
olutions expressing respect for the
memory of the late Secretary Bonte,
and providing that the salary of the
deceased be continued for one year and
paid to the bereaved family. The latter
part of the resolution was referred to a
special committee, consisting of Wal-
lace, Martin and Halliday.

The matter of selecting a secretary
was continued until April. W. A. Mc-
Cown officiated as such yesterday.
Besides himself the applicants for the
place up to date are John Bonner, H.
E. Miller, Theodore Wagner, Joseph L.
Scotchler, Oscar L. Dornin, Rev. H.
E. Jewett, E. J. Wickson and W. C.
Bailett.

Reinstein, Martin, Rodgers, Budd
and Chase were appointed a committee
on legislative action.

It was decided to enter into a three-
years' contract with the Spring Valley
Company

